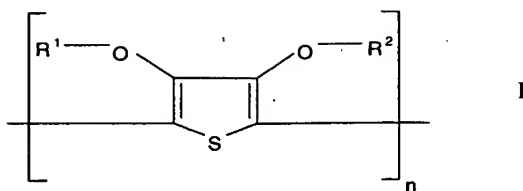


Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

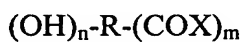
1. (original) A composition for forming an electrically conductive antistatic layer comprises:
electronically conductive polymer particles;
a neutral-charge conductivity enhancer; and
a hydrophilic polymeric binder that is gelatin or a gelatin derivative.
2. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said electronically conductive polymer particles comprise from 5 to 95 weight % of the total weight of the composition.
3. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said neutral-charge conductivity enhancer is present in an amount of from 0.02 to 90 weight % based on the total weight of the composition..
4. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said electronically conductive polymer particles comprise a pyrrole-, thiophene-, or aniline-containing polymer.
5. (previously presented) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said composition comprises electronically conductive polymer particles of a polythiophene present in a cationic form with a polyanion, said polythiophene comprising recurring units defined by the following Formula I wherein n is about 5 to 1000 and wherein R₁ and R₂ are independently hydrogen or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, or together form a substituted or unsubstituted group or a substituted or unsubstituted 1,2-cyclohexylene group.



Polythiophene Formula (I)

6. (previously presented) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said neutral-charge conductivity enhancer is:

(A) represented by the following Formula II:



II

wherein m and n are independently an integer of from 1 to 20, R is an alkylene group having 2 to 20 carbon atoms, an arylene group having 6 to 14 carbon atoms in the arylene chain, a pyran group, or a furan group, and X is -OH or -NYZ, wherein Y and Z are independently hydrogen or an alkyl group, or

(B) a sugar, sugar derivative, polyalkylene glycol, or glycerol compound.

7. (original) A composition as in claim 6 wherein said neutral-charge conductivity enhancer is a N-methylpyrrolidone, pyrrolidone, caprolactam, N-methylcaprolactam, N-octylpyrrolidone, sucrose, glucose, fructose, lactose, sugar alcohol, 2-furan carboxylic acid, 3-furan carboxylic acid, sorbitol, glycol, ethylene glycol, glycerol, diethylene glycol, or triethylene glycol, or a mixture of any two or more of these compounds.

8. (original) A composition as in claim 7 wherein said neutral-charge conductivity enhancer is N-methylpyrrolidone, pyrrolidone, caprolactam, N-methyl caprolactam, or N-octylpyrrolidone.

9. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said neutral-charge conductivity enhancer is ethylene glycol, diethylene glycol or glycerol.

10. (original) A composition as in claim 5 wherein said polyanion is polystyrene sulfonic acid.

11. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said neutral-charge conductivity enhancer is one or more than one compound selected from the group consisting of N-methylpyrrolidone, sorbitol, ethylene glycol, glycerol, and diethylene glycol.

12. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said neutral-charge conductivity enhancer is ethylene glycol, glycol or glycerol.

13.-16 (cancelled).

17. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said electronically conductive polymer particles exhibit a packed powder specific resistivity of 10^5 ohm-cm or less.

18. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said electronically conductive polymer particles have a mean diameter of 0.5 μm or less.

19. (original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said electronically conductive polymer particles have a mean diameter of 0.1 μm or less.